

Strike on the 8th of March - Not back to Normal!

Call for and invitation to strike picket from FAU Dresden



We want the roses, we want the applause, but most of all the beautiful life!

A year after the beginning of the pandemic, the dream couple of patriarchy and capitalism doesn't offer any more than applause? We do - and we have to! Because for us as women and queers every day is a crisis - not just since Covid-19.

The pandemic only brings to light, what has been unbearable before and what has only worked so far, because we women*/FLINTA[1] gave everything in our undervalued and underpaid, but "essential" jobs, without ever being noticed. Due to the coronavirus, the term "essential" was in everybody's mouth and, at least for a short while, everybody paid attention to the totally devalued care-work sector and the people doing the work - and applauded.

We're loosing jobs in other sectors, that were precarious anyway. We are worn down by care-work, making ends meet, personal dependencies and being emotional buffers, that have to give ever more solace and lust, as the pandemic continues. We are threatened by violence, isolation and the continuous deregulation of capitalism. Covid-19 isn't the crisis - patriarchal capitalism is.

We don't wanna go back to the over-worked, dependent, precarious and poor normal. The activities and work, that are important to our communities, should be distributed evenly on all shoulders. We all need to reduce our wage-working-hours, so that every one is able to do care-work (also in relationships) and house-work. We want the applause, we want the roses, we want self-determination of the amount, type and conditions of our work and the use of our time. We want the good and beautiful life for all.

We want it - That's the demand we make, while we're already taking what we want. It won't be given to us. STRIKE means: We're not just saying that something is missing, but we refuse to work, we're walking out.[2] Enough is enough. All of a sudden we've got time... Let's spend it together!

March 8 2021 - International Day of Feminist Struggles

Feminist school strike:

* 8:30 - 10:00am BSZ Karl-August-Lingner (Maxim-Gorki-Straße 39)

* 12:00 - 1:30pm Semperschule (train station Neustadt)

Feminist Picket:

* 2-5pm König*innenufer (area of the Filmnächte)

Sign this proclamation if you support the demands. Write us an email at faudd-femkaem@list.fau.org, or post it to the comments.

[1] FLINTA: women (german: Frauen), lesbian, inter, non-binary, trans and agender people

[2] This can take very different forms and is also possible in the home office: <https://dd.fau.org/2021/02/06/aufruf-streik-am-8-maerz-2021-nicht-zurueck-zum-normalzustand/> You can find more tips and background information here: https://www.fau.org/materialien/uploads/streikrechtmerkblatt_a6_druck-pdf_neu.pdf (both are in german, but you can try internet translation programs for the moment. If you have questions, just ask! We will answer you in English.)